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Docket No. 15916-249x

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Applicant: Thompson et al.

Serial No.: 09/909,110

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Title: Catheter Having Improved  
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Method of Making the Same

Group Art Unit: 3739

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application:

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.
- A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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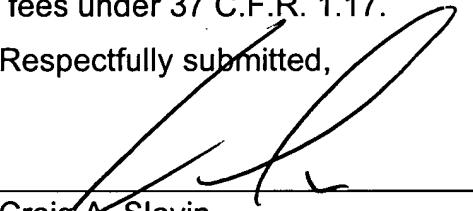
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<b>INDEP.</b>	8 minus	6 =	2	x \$ 43	\$	x \$ 86	\$172
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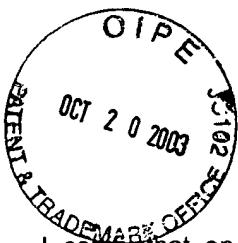
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- A check in the amount of \$172 to cover the fee for additional claims is enclosed.
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  - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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### AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

**DATED JULY 30, 2003**

*Please enter  
R. Hecutby, Hollings*  
In response to the Final Office Action dated July 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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